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Application No. 09/508,771

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

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This application was received electronically at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on April 23, 2008. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below.

# <u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was filed on April 24, 2008. A review of the Image File Wrapper reveals that the examiner has not considered the IDS. According to MPEP § 609 which states:

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## CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

**ORDERED** that the application is returned to the Examiner:

- 1) for consideration of the IDS and written notification to the applicant of such consideration; and
  - 2) for further action as may be appropriate.

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